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*Via certified mail and email*

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**Re: Notice of Intent to File CEQA Litigation**

Dear Mr. Harris and Mr. Howard:

Pursuant to Public Resources Code section 21167.5, this letter provides notice that the Center for Biological Diversity intends to commence an action challenging your and/or your agencies' compliance with the California Environmental Quality Act and other applicable law in connection with your agencies' approval of the aquifer exemption for the Dollie Sands of the Pismo Formation in the Arroyo Grande Oil Field, San Luis Obispo County, which was finalized and sent to the United States Environmental Protection Agency, Region IX on February 8, 2016.

Please feel free to contact me at 213-215-3729 with any questions.

Sincerely,

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